

## UTAH STATE LEGISLATURE

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To [insert name and title of the head of federal agency]:

As chairs of Utah's Commission on Federalism, we are writing to inform you of the Commission's review of the federal laws, rules, and regulations (hereafter referred to as "federal laws") that violate the principle of federalism as described in Utah Code Subsection 63C-4a-304(2).

Utah Code Section 63C-4a-303 authorizes the Commission on Federalism to evaluate whether a federal law is authorized by the United State Constitution or if the law violates the principles of federalism by:

- affecting the distribution of power and responsibility between the state and national government;
- limiting the policymaking discretion of the state;
- impacting a power or right that is reserved to the state or its citizens; or
- impacting the sovereignty, rights, and interest of the state or a political subdivision to provide for the health, safety, and welfare of, and promote the prosperity of, the state's inhabitants.

The commission has studied and determined that the following federal law that your agency administers violates the principles of federalism [or the authority provided in the US Constitution]:

[\*\*\*Insert a description of the federal law and how it violates the principles of federalism\*\*\*]

We respectfully request a response by [insert date] to this finding regarding the constitutional basis for this federal law and how it complies with the principles of federalism.

If you have any questions about the work of the Commission on Federalism or would like to schedule a time to meet with the members of the Commission on Federalism to address this issue, please contact us.

Respectfully,

Senator Allen Christensen Utah State Senate Co-Chair, Commission on Federalism

Representative Ken Ivory Utah House of Representatives Co-Chair, Commission on Federalism